FOSS CELL

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FOSS CELL in association with ICFOSS organized a webinar on **"Introduction to Natural Language Processing"** on October 23rd, 2020. Dr Rajeev R R, Programme Head, International Centre for Free and Open source Software (ICFOSS) handled the session effectively. He is an Experienced faculty with a demonstrated history of working in the Information Technology and services industry, with total 15 years' experience and having skills in Mathematical Modelling, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing and Python. He explained different applications in the area of Natural language processing and basic steps needed for the research in that area. Students became more interactive during question-answering session and they asked about the feasibility of project topics in the area of Natural Language Processing. 60 students and some faculties participated in the webinar and attended assessment test after the webinar.45 students among the participants cleared assessment test and became eligible for certification. Webinar was hosted by ICFOSS on Moodle platform.

FOSS CELL of Mar Baselios College of Engineering organized a webinar on **"Career Opportunities on FOSS Technologies"** on January 30th, 2021. **Mr. Shakthi Kannan**, Free and Open-Source Software (FOSS) advocate, documentation expert, and DevOps engineer, handled the session effectively. He has been a strong force in the FOSS movement in India. He explained different opportunities in the area of Free and Open source softwares and basic steps needed for the career in that area. Students became more interactive during the question-answering session and they asked about the feasibility of a career in the area of open source softwares. 40 students and some faculties participated in the webinar. Webinar was hosted by Google Meet Platform.

Foss cell has been selected for getting financial assistance of Rs 20,000/ from international centre for free and open-source software (ICFOSS) in March 2022.The amount was released in May 2022.The cell is planning to conduct different technical talks during September,2022-March,2023.